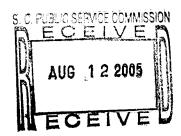
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VIA U.S. MAIL

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator **South Carolina Public Service Commission** 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210



Re:

Application of Duke Energy Corporation for Authorization to Enter into

Business Combination Transaction with Cinergy Corporation

Docket No. 2005-210-E

P.O. Box 11263

Columbia, S.C. 29211

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and one (1) copy of the Notice of Appearance of Counsel in the above referenced matter. Please date stamp the extra copy enclosed and return it to me in the envelope provided.

Also, we have served same on Counsel for the Applicant and enclose a Certificate of Service to that effect.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Shannon Bowyer Hudson

SBH/rng **Enclosures**

cc:

Lara Simmons Nichols, Esquire

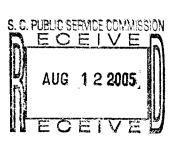
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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL

Paul R. Newton, Esquire, Lara Simmons Nichols, Esquire, William F. Austin, To: Esquire, and Richard L. Whitt, Esquire, Counsels for the Applicant, Duke **Energy Corporation:**

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Shannon Bowyer Hudson gives notice of appearance of counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff in the above-captioned matter. Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-4-10 as enacted by 2004 S.C. Acts 175, the Office of Regulatory Staff is a party of record in all filings, applications, and proceedings before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Any further information or correspondence filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina and should also be served on the undersigned as counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff.

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This is to certify that I, Rena Grant, an employee with the Office of Regulatory Staff, have this date served one (1) copy of the **NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL** in the above-referenced matter to the person(s) named below by causing said copy to be deposited in the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below:

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